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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Report of Legislative Counsel Activities

1. Legislative Counsel has very few statistics which would be useful. For information, however, listed below are the number of formal appearances before congressional committees during the past three years.

1959	28
1960	18
1961	22

The bare statistics on hearings do not indicate the detail involved in preparing for the hearings both as to substance of the briefings and physical arrangements. Also, actions required resulting from the hearings vary considerably. In some cases a minimum follow-up action is required and in others there is a tremendous amount of work both in supplying additional information and in correcting the transcripts.

2. The volume of personnel referral cases has continued to rise gradually. Written and oral queries of other nature have continued to rise gradually. What has marked a great difference this year as compared with previous years has been the number of queries which have required personal handling. This arises from the nature and the subject of the query where the answer requires discussion of classified material and in some cases extensive coordination with other agencies of the Government. The effect of this on the Office is that personal handling requires far more time than writing and dispatching a written reply. I would estimate that personal handling versus written reply consumes additional time by the factor of ten to one. I am pleased to

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report, however, that almost without exception personal calls to handle a case have resulted in sympathy for our problem which almost always involves security and a willingness to assist in whatever way possible. Examples of personal handling of cases would include constituent inquiries concerning [REDACTED]

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<p>Remarks: Red: As I mentioned to you, it is hard to reduce the straight legal work to a statistical report, but I asked John if there was something that could be reported for the legislative liaison side. The attached may be of some interest, and my only comment is that [redacted] are kept well occupied and only because they have been assuming more and more responsibility has John been able to devote much time to the law work.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(R) LRHouston</p>					
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